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Applicants enclose herewith an Amendment After Final in response to the Final Office Action mailed on November 16, 2006 in connection with the above-captioned application. Applicants respectfully petition for a two month extension of time, and authorize payment of the required fee in the accompanying transmittal.

Applicants respectfully request a **three-month** extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed November 16, 2006 for which the shortened statutory three-month response period, expiring on February 16, 2007, was set. The three-month extended period for response expires on May 16, 2007. Please charge the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) **three-month extension fee of \$1020.00**, and any additional fees that may be required, to **Deposit Account No. 11-0600**.

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